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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure Applicant is hereby submitting the following references which have been cited in the corresponding German Application.

- DE 694 29 817 is a German Patent Office Publication. This reference describes an exhaled gas filter and cooler. A translation of this reference is presently unavailable to Applicant. However this reference corresponds to U.S. Patent 5,487,380. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of these two documents.

Favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

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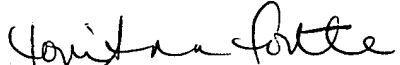
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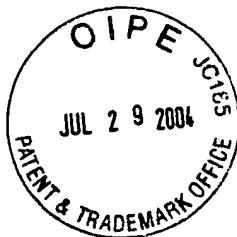
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date,
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